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SUBJ: BICENTENNIAL EVENTS: PLANNED PARTICIPATION BY GREEK
GOVERNMENT

1. DURING THE COURSE OF A LUNCHEON MEETING I HAD TODAY WITH THE MINISTER OF CULTURE AND SCIENCES TRYPANIS HE OUTLINED THE CURRENT PLANS OF THE GREEK GOVERNMENT FOR PARTICIPATION IN OUR BICENTENNIAL COMMEMORATION THIS YEAR. SOME OF THE PLANS AND PROJECTS ARE FARTHER ALONG THAN OTHERS AND TRYPANIS INDICATED A READINESS TO CONSIDER ANY FURTHER SUGGESTIONS WE MIGHT HAVE FROM THE AMERICAN SIDE FOR GREECE'S PARTICIPATION IN THE EVENTS MARKING OUR 200TH ANNIVERSARY. A SUMMARY OF THE GREEK PLANS IS SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPH TWO BELOW. THESE VARIOUS EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF FURTHER COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE EMBASSY, AS APPROPRIATE, DURING THE COURSE OF THIS YEAR.

2. PLANNED GOG EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES:

- A) TOUR OF THE GREEK NATIONAL THEATER OF GREECE IN THE U.S.A. (WASHINGTON, NEW YORK AND BOSTON)
 - B) TOUR OF THE GROUP "GREEK POPULAR DANCES" OF DORA STRATOU, IN U.S.A.
 - C) GINA BACHAUER'S CONCERTS IN THE U.S.A.
 - D) NOMINATION OF DISTINGUISHED PROFESSORS OF AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES, HELLENISTS AND PROFESSORS OF
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AMERICAN CULTURE AS HONORARY DOCTORS, BY THE UNIVERSITIES

OF ATHENS AND SALONICA.

E) PROCLAMATION OF A PRIZE BY THE ATHENS ACADEMY
FOR A WORK PUBLISHED IN ENGLISH ON THE INFLUENCE
EXERTED BY THE GREEK SPIRIT ON AMERICAN LIFE AND CULTURE.

F) PROJECT: BIBLIOGRAPHY ON AMERICAN PHILHELLENES.

G) PUBLIC LECTURES BY PROFESSORS OF NEOHELLENIC
LANGUAGE IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES ON THE SUBJECT OF THE
RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE AND THE
GREEK SPIRIT AS WELL AS PUBLICATION OF RELATIVE
ESSAYS BY STUDENTS OF THE NEOHELLENIC LANGUAGE IN AMERICA.

H) OFFERING OF REPLICAS OF ANCIENT GREEK
SCULPTURAL WORKS TO SELECTED AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES AND
CITIES.

I) OFFER OF RADIO SKETCHES AND TELESKETCHES BY THE
GREEK NATIONAL RADIO AND TELEVISION CORPORATION
FOR THE GREEK PROGRAMS OF THE AMERICAN RADIO AND
TELEVISION CORPORATIONS.

J) PROCLAMATION OF A COMPOSITION CONTEST ON
AMERICA AND GREECE AT THE HELLENIC INSTITUTIONS OF
SECONDARY EDUCATION IN THE U.S.A. - PRIZES OFFERED
BY THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE AND SCIENCES. KUBISCH

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